Minutes of the <u>Regular Work Session</u> of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee Monday, September 16, 2019, 4:30 PM Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Patrick W. Shull, Presiding

Alderman Jennifer Adler
Alderman Colette George
Alderman Darrell Duncan
Alderman James Phillips

City Administration

Chris McCartt, City Manager
J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney

Sidney H. Cox, City Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Patrick W. Shull.

2. ROLL CALL: By Deputy City Recorder Marshall.

- 3. **KEDB/NETWORKS QUARTERLY UPDATE.** Craig Denison from KEDB and Clay Walker with NETWORKS provided information on their respective organizations.
- **4. REGIONAL ECONOMIC FORUM.** There was considerable discussion on the recent suggestion to change the name of the Tri-Cities area to the Appalachian Highlands region.
- **5. THE INVENTOR CENTER.** (*NOTE: This item was moved before the KEDB/NETWORKS update and is related to agenda item VI.D.1.)* Heath Gunn gave a presentation on this item and the move from Engage Kingsport to the Model City Makers. Some discussion ensued as Mr. Gunn answered questions from the board.
- 6. COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE. Heather Cook presented this item.

(NOTE: A five minute break was taken at this time and Mayor Shull left the meeting.)

- 7. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager McCartt and members of staff gave a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. The following items were discussed at greater length or received specific questions or concerns.
- VI.B.2 Agreement with State of Tennessee to Extend Waterline into Warrior's Path State Park (AF: 169-2019). Robert Reedy provided details on this item. City Manager McCartt noted it was subject to approval by Sullivan County.
- VI.B.3 Amendment to City Code Section 6-207 and 6-213 Pertaining to Beer Permits (AF: 206-2019). City Manager McCartt stated this item would allow beer to be sold by hotels in their lobby area.

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VI.D.3 Initial and Detailed Bond Resolutions Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2019 in an Amount Not to Exceed \$20,250,000 (AF: 205-2019). City Recorder Sid Cox provided details on the process of issuing bonds. City Manager McCartt pointed out there was \$250,000 less than what was presented in the spring, noting the streetscape was tied back to the franchise fee.

**8. ADJOURN.** Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Vice-Mayor George adjusted the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

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